



IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA
ORANGEBURG DIVISION

RICKEY PAIGE,
Plaintiff,

vs.

NANCY A. BERRYHILL,
Acting Commissioner of Social Security
Administration,
Defendant.

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Civil Action No. 5:18-1399-MGL

ORDER ADOPTING THE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION
AND REVERSING AND REMANDING DEFENDANT'S DENIAL OF PLAINTIFF'S
CLAIM FOR BENEFITS

This is a Social Security appeal in which Plaintiff Rickey Paige (Paige) seeks judicial review of the final decision of Defendant Nancy A. Berryhill (Commissioner) denying his claim for Disability Insurance Benefits and Supplemental Security Income. The parties are represented by excellent counsel. The matter is before the Court for review of the Report and Recommendation (Report) of the United States Magistrate Judge suggesting the Court reverse and remand the Commissioner's decision denying Paige's claim for benefits. The Report was made in accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 636 and Local Civil Rule 73.02 for the District of South Carolina.

The Magistrate Judge makes only a recommendation to this Court. The recommendation has no presumptive weight. The responsibility to make a final determination remains with the Court. *Mathews v. Weber*, 423 U.S. 261, 270 (1976). The Court is charged with making a de novo determination of those portions of the Report to which specific objection is made, and the Court

may accept, reject, or modify, in whole or in part, the recommendation of the Magistrate Judge or recommit the matter with instructions. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1).

The Magistrate Judge filed the Report on June 20, 2019. ECF No. 13. The Commissioner filed her Notice of Not Filing Objections to the Report on July 2, 2019. ECF No. 15. “[I]n the absence of a timely filed objection, a district court need not conduct a de novo review, but instead must ‘only satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record in order to accept the recommendation.’” *Diamond v. Colonial Life & Acc. Ins. Co.*, 416 F.3d 310, 315 (4th Cir. 2005) (quoting Fed. R. Civ. P. 72 advisory committee’s note). Moreover, a failure to object waives appellate review. *Wright v. Collins*, 766 F.2d 841, 845-46 (4th Cir. 1985).

After a thorough review of the Report and the record in this case pursuant to the standard set forth above, the Court adopts the Report and incorporates it herein. Therefore, it is the judgment of the Court the Commissioner’s decision is **REVERSED AND REMANDED** under sentence four of 42 U.S.C. § 405(g) for further administrative action.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Signed this 8th day of July 2019 in Columbia, South Carolina.

s/Mary Geiger Lewis
MARY GEIGER LEWIS
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE